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## AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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SIR:

In response to the Official Action mailed October 4, 2002, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in light of the following amendments and remarks.

## IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace pages 1-44 with the attached substitute pages 1-62.

Please delete the original Abstract at page 49 without prejudice.

At the end of the specification, please insert as the Abstract of the Disclosure, the attached substitute Abstract of the Disclosure.